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## The Canadians at Bisley.

Reports received by cable indicate that the Canadians have very creditably acquitted themselves, winning many minor prizes, and no less than four—Ogg, Bishop, Smith and Hall—securing places in the Queen's Hundred, and scoring high in the final shoot. Up to the time of going to press news of the Kolapore Cup contest, fired on Wednesday, has not been received. In next and following issues we will give details of the meeting, which will then have arrived by mail.

## The Dominion Rifle Meeting.

At a meeting of the Executive of the Dominion Rifle Association held on Monday evening, and at which there were present Majors Bond and Blaiklock, of Montreal, besides the members residing at Ottawa, the arrangements remaining to be made for the conduct of the annual competition were decided upon, and the programme, submitted in printed form, was approved and ordered to be issued. The staff and range officers were also named, the secretary being instructed to ascertain from those upon whom the choice fell whether or not they would accept, and pending replies the list cannot be positively given.

The secretary, Lieut.-Col. Bacon, submitted the proposed time table, which was adopted. Consequent on the increased target accommodation, there now being thirty-three targets available in the main butt for the regular matches in place of twenty-five as formerly, and time being saved also by firing in threes instead of pairs, the matches are to be completed on Thursday afternoon, thus saving a day to the competitors, and enabling all the chief prizes to be handed over at the formal presentation on Thursday evening, whereas hitherto the Governor-General's match and the Provincial team competition for the London Merchants' Cup, have not been fired until the next day, to say nothing of the extra series competitions. This time table makes provision for 500 competitors, firing not only the regular matches, but having also a liberal allowance of time for extra series shooting at the regular match targets before the 500 and 600 yards ranges of the several competitions. It is not anticipated that there will be that number of competitors, the attendance last year having been 416—"high water mark"—so that there will be a good margin of time for unexpected and unavoidable delays.

A popular innovation will be the throwing open of all the regular match targets for extra series firing for three-quarters of an hour on Monday morning before the serious work opens with the Nursery competition, and the Macdougall Cup match, which immediately follows the Nursery. Both ranges of the Macdougall will be fired Monday morning. The afternoon will be given up to the "Military" matches—the Gowski and British Challenge Shield; the extra series firing on the eight targets set apart for that purpose at 500 and 600 yards being stopped, but that at 800 and 900 yards being allowed to continue, as well as the Revolver match.

On Tuesday the regular matches fired will be the Manufacturers, Minister of Militia and Standing. Wednesday will be monopolised by the Dominion of Canada, the close of this ending the Snider shooting, and determining the Snider Aggregate prize winners. The conditions of all the Snider matches are the same as last year. There will probably be more than an hour available at the close of Wednesday afternoon for

extra series shooting at all the targets, giving a chance of sighting for the Martini work of next day.

Thursday morning another such opportunity will be afforded, all the targets being open for extra series shooting from 8.30 to 9.15, when the Rideau match—seven shots at 500 yards, Martini—will be fired. Last year this was at 600 yards. Immediately following will be the Ouimet match, also Martini, at 600 yards as last year, but now ten shots in place of seven. This will end the shooting for the Grand Aggregate. There are seventy-six prizes in this aggregate in place of sixty last year, and instead of only the top sixty competing for the Governor-General's prizes and for Bisley team places, the first hundred will now have that privilege.

The Governor-General's match will be started at two o'clock Thursday afternoon. This trial of skill will not, however, determine the list for Bisley, as a further test is to take place, the whole hundred immediately going over the ranges once more in connection with the London Merchants' Cup competition, this arrangement being tried on the supposition that nearly all those chosen for the Cup teams will be in the hundred, and they will thus be saved from going over the range a third time. By the additional shooting provided greater proficiency with the Martini will be necessary in order to secure places on the Bisley team, and this is as it should be, in view of the fact that the shooting at Bisley is with the Martini.

The Extra Series at 500 and 600 yards will probably be closed at the dinner hour on Thursday, the 800 and 900 yards Series and the Revolver match being probably kept open until the finish of the Merchants' Cup competition at about 4.30 p.m.

In the Revolver match, the Executive decided to adopt the "Queen's Own Rifles of Canada Standard Revolver Target," in place of that formerly used. Much close scoring will now be required. The dimensions and scoring of this target are:

First circle on bull's eye	1 3/4 inches,	value 7 points
Second " "	2 3/4 " "	6 " "
Balance of bull's eye	4 " "	5 " "
First outer circle	4 " "	4 " "
Second " "	7 " "	3 " "
Third " "	9 1/4 " "	2 " "
Fourth " "	12 1/2 " "	1 " "

Attention having been directed to the anomalous fact that no efficiency qualification was required from officers, whilst stricter provision had been made respecting the n. c. o.'s and men, the Executive inserted a rather indefinite clause, making the efficiency requirement now read thus:

"In the case of a commissioned officer, one of good standing in his corps, or who has retired retaining rank; in the case of a n. c. o. or private, one who has performed the last annual drill of his corps, or in cases where no such drill has been ordered within twelve months previous to the meeting of the D. R. A. at which he may be present, been a duly enrolled member of the Militia and entitled to compete at the D. R. A. matches."

## Regimental and Other News.

Lieut.-General Sir Fred. Middleton was on Tuesday evening of last week entertained at a farewell banquet by his Toronto friends, military and civilian, a large number gathering to do him honour. Prof. Goldwin Smith presided and made a speech, in which he referred to the General's career as a brilliant one, the record of which could never be wiped out by the calumny of politicians. Sir Frederick, who made the only other speech, in his reply said he had been grossly misrepresented by the press. He had always had the interest of the force at heart. He had always done his best and used his knowledge and experience for the betterment of the service. Mistakes he might have made, but they were of the head and not of the heart. It was a gross lie that any of the militia had written that they would not serve under him. He said he had thought to spend the rest of his life in Canada, as his wife

was a Canadian, but he regretted that owing to the treatment he had received at the hands of certain politicians who had endeavoured to ruin his character, he would not now do so. He refused to accept the finding of the Committee of the House of Commons, but would willingly leave the evidence in the case to the people of Canada and trusted to their fairness. The General was cheered when he resumed his seat. Among the letters read was one from the Hon. J. M. Gibson, Colonel of the 13th Battalion, Hamilton, regretting his absence, for he says: "I would like to have had the opportunity of showing how thoroughly I sympathize with Sir Frederick from beginning to end. I have urged that too much of the brunt of irregularities that might naturally be expected to occur was being piled upon him. However, he is going, and I believe he will carry away with him the highest respect, esteem and confidence of the militia. That is the way we feel in Hamilton, and I would gladly have embraced the opportunity of saying good-bye to the brave old man, and of wishing him prosperity and happiness in the future."

Last Saturday afternoon a very pleasing event took place on the Cote St. Luc range. It is well known that Capt. E. J. Chambers is very popular with the men of his regiment, 6th Fusiliers, and the shooting team took the opportunity to surprise their captain by presenting him with a really beautiful Turner-Snyder rifle. The presentation was made by Staff-Sergeant Anthony, who spoke of the Captain's long connection with the battalion, and alluded to his geniality and the faithful and courteous manner in which he ever performed his duties. It was as a mark of their esteem for him that the members of the shooting team asked his acceptance of the rifle. Captain Chambers fittingly replied.

The programme of the New Brunswick Provincial Rifle Association meeting of 1890 came to hand this week, again in the old style four page folder form, this province having not yet adopted the more modern and convenient book form in use elsewhere. The meeting commences on Tuesday, 19th August. The prize list is, as usual, attractive, and gives special encouragement to team shooting, including also assistance to the team of thirty men to represent the province at the D.R.A. meeting.

The name of Staff-Sergt. N. Macfarlane, an "old reliable," is sought in vain on the Vic's teams. He has been "on the road" as usual this summer, and never happened to be in Montreal on a League day. The chances are against his re-appearance with the Vics, as he contemplates residing for the future in the Southern States.

The top spoon in the Ottawa Rifle Club's competition on Saturday last was taken by Capt. W. A. Jamieson with 89 points. The match was with Martinis, 200, 500 and 600 yards, 7 shots.

#### THE MONTREAL GARRISON ARTILLERY.

The Montreal Brigade of Garrison Artillery went through a searching inspection of their artillery drill last Friday evening by Lieut. Col. Montizambert, Assistant Inspector of Artillery. Lieut. Col. Turnbull was in command, and there was a muster of 175, including bands. The men were put through company drill in infantry movements, and then through a long and complicated drill on the 40 and 64-pounder guns. All this was done in a manner to justify the inspecting officer in authoring the Colonel to tell the men that he was well pleased with the work. It was decidedly above that of last year.

The corps passed a very creditable infantry inspection on the Champ de Mars on Saturday. Lieut. Col. Turnbull was in command, and the other officers on parade were: Major Cole, Capt. and Acting-Adjutant Howard, Captains Ogilvy, Brissette, Finlayson and Crathern, Lieut. Reed, Captain and Paymaster, Trotter Captain and Quartermaster Maxwell, Surgeon Finlay and Assistant Surgeon Elder. The inspecting officer was Lieut. Col. Houghton, D.A.G., who was accompanied by Lieut. Col. Montizambert. After the men had marched into their armoury, Col. Turnbull addressed them, denouncing what he called the lies that had been published about them in some Montreal papers. "But," he continued, "notwithstanding these lies that have been published about us, you have shown to-day that you can do honour to the old brigade and myself as your commander."

There seems to be something wrong about the Brigade, no less than eight officers having absented themselves from the inspection, and the Sergeant-Major having to take command of one of the batteries.

#### THE VICS' ANNUAL MATCHES.

The annual prize meeting of the Victoria Rifles Association was held at the Cote St. Luc ranges last Saturday, in unfavourable weather, a gusty wind prevailing and rain showers interrupting the shooting. Ten riflemen from the St. John's Infantry School took part in the open competition, but did not succeed in taking any prizes. The Montreal *Gazette* reports that they came armed with rifles with "battered foresights," and "worn-out grooving, little better than smooth-bores," and if this be the case it is no wonder they do not distinguish themselves in their practice. The top scores in the matches were: Maiden, 7 shots, 200 yards, kneel-

ing: Sergt. Withycombe, 28. Association, 200, 400 and 500 yards, 7 shots: Corp. Binmore, 88; the Queen's Own challenge cup, contested for by teams of six in this match, was won by No. 3 with 495 points. Challenge match, 500 and 600 yards, 7 shots: Col.-Sgt. McCrae, 53; a challenge shield presented by Capt. Sims was shot for in this match and won by No. 3 Company with 245 points. Martini match, 600 yards, 7 shots: Col.-Sgt. McCrae, 27.

Open match, 200, 500 and 600 yards, 7 shots.—Prizes for teams of five: Sixth Fusiliers, 400; Grand Trunk Association, 393; Montreal Garrison Artillery, 392; Victoria Rifles, 385. Individual prizes: Gr. G. Cook, M.G.A., 92; Stf.-Sgt. Anthony, 6th, 88; Pte. Kambery, 5th, 84; Corp. Morrice, 6th, 83; Lieut. Pope, Vics, 83; Stf.-Sgt. Lavers, 6th, 83; Stf.-Sgt. Ross, 1st, 83; Pte. Miller, Vics, 83; Corp. Binmore, Vics, 83; Corp. Mathews, Vics, 82; Bomb. Gardiner, M.G.A., 82; Col.-Sgt. Marks, 6th, 81; Gr. Sharpe, M.G.A., 81; Col.-Sgt. Pratt, 6th, 80; Sgt. Drysdale, M.G.A., 80; Sgt. Riddle, 6th, 79.

### Correspondence.

[This paper does not necessarily share the views expressed in correspondence published in its columns, the use of which is freely granted to writers on topics of interest to the Militia.]

#### A HINT FOR THE D.R.A. AND O.R.A. EXECUTIVES.

EDITOR MILITIA GAZETTE,—In view of the fact that there are over 40 battalions represented in the League team matches, don't you think that the battalion team matches at Ottawa and Toronto would be much more representative in character if the number of men composing the teams were increased from 5 and 8 respectively, to say 10? What kind of an idea of the shooting strength of a battalion is given by the work of 5 men? Give us your views, gentlemen.

G.

Hamilton, 14th July, 1890.

#### SPECTACLES FOR SHOOTING.

EDITOR MILITIA GAZETTE,—Can you inform me where spectacles can be had suitable for rifle shooting purposes? I find that for a number of men of my age (about fifty) orthoptics are not just what is required for the assistance of failing eyesight. While they make the sights and lines more distinct they at the same time make the bulls eye appear smaller. Will you, or some of your readers, kindly give me some information as to the utility of spectacles, and where they are to be had?

T.

[Communications are invited from riflemen who can give the desired information.—ED.]

#### WHERE THE LAUGH CAME IN.

EDITOR MILITIA GAZETTE.—My attention has just been directed to a paragraph in edition of 10th inst. from a Toronto correspondent describing what he regards as the funniest incident of the late Niagara camp.

I am glad to hear "Mayor Clarke and other notables were amused not a little." I suppose it never occurred to them or your correspondent that the conclusions they were so serenely forming were wrong in every respect. The men of the 36th were "in hand" and well handled. The officer in command obeyed his instructions. The 12th Battalion was not in hand. Its commanding officer disobeyed his instructions and marched his men out of bounds through the centre of the fort. I presume the "notables" seeing Major Lloyd marching unopposed through the fort concluded he was outgeneralling the professional, when in fact he had placed himself and his men hors de combat.

I write this in justice to the professional, and have great pleasure in doing it all the more because I saw his company ordered out of action by a blundering umpire on Thanksgiving Day who was entirely wrong and in my opinion completely "rattled."

SNAPPLE.

A manual of Company Drill, just issued, and of which the author is Capt. MacDougall, of the Royal School of Infantry, Toronto, should place all intending students under a debt of gratitude to that officer. The aim of the book, as stated in the Preface, is to be especially helpful to officers unable to take more than a special course at a school of infantry, and who must necessarily read much before joining. The details, cautions and commands of each movement are arranged to follow each other precisely as they do at drill, thus teaching much that ordinarily could only be found out on parade. The value of the work is much enhanced by a comprehensive plan illustrating the attack formation. It is to be hoped that a large sale will reward Capt. MacDougall for the trouble he has taken in getting up the book. The publisher is Mr. P. C. Allan the well-known newsdealer of King street west, Toronto, from whom copies may be procured.

The Military Rifle League.

In printing this week the details of the scores made in the fourth match of the League, supplemental to the team totals published in last issue, we have as usual a few trifling alterations to make in the totals as they appeared in the telegraphed returns. The second team of the Grenadiers had 611, not 601; the first team of the Prince of Wales' Regiment 571, not 572; and the second team of the same regiment 249, not 248. Otherwise the totals are as before given.

[FOURTH MATCH, FIRED 12TH JULY. 200, 500 AND 600 YARDS, SEVEN SHOTS, SNIDER RIFLES.]

FIFTY-THIRD BATTALION.

Weather, fair; light, bright; wind, light 4 o'clock; fouling, dry. Captain of team, Capt. H. R. Fraser, 53rd. Range officer, Capt. J. A. Morkill, 5th Cavalry. Register keeper, Surgeon-Major E. D. Worthington.

Table listing scores for the Fifty-Third Battalion, including names like Pte. G. H. Morkill and Lt. R. J. Spearing, with columns for scores at 200, 500, and 600 yards.

NINETY-SIXTH BATTALION.

Table listing scores for the Ninety-Sixth Battalion, including names like Pte. W. Y. Montgomery and Pte. Jas. Meek.

QUEEN'S OWN RIFLES, FIRST TEAM.

Table listing scores for the Queen's Own Rifles, First Team, including names like Lieut. Rennie and Lieut. Knifton.

THIRTEENTH BATTALION.

Table listing scores for the Thirteenth Battalion, including names like S.-Sgt. D. Mitchell and Lieut. A. Pain.

TWENTY-FIRST BATTALION.

Table listing scores for the Twenty-First Battalion, including names like Stf.-Sgt. A. J. Green and Pte. S. B. Green.

FORTY-FIFTH BATT., BOWMANVILLE TEAM.

Table listing scores for the Bowmanville Team, including names like Capt. W. S. Russell and Major John Hughes.

GOV.-GEN.'S FOOT GUARDS, FIRST TEAM.

Table listing scores for the Gov.-Gen.'s Foot Guards, First Team, including names like Pte. J. A. Armstrong and Corp. T. Carroll.

FIFTY-FOURTH BATTALION.

Table listing scores for the Fifty-Fourth Battalion, including names like Pte. W. F. Andrews and Lieut. M. H. Healy.

FORTY-THIRD BATTALION, FIRST TEAM.

Table listing scores for the Forty-Third Battalion, First Team, including names like Pte. C. S. Scott and C.-Sgt. T. C. Boville.

VICTORIA RIFLES, FIRST TEAM.

Table listing scores for the Victoria Rifles, First Team, including names like Pte. McMartin and Pte. McAfee.

FORTY-FIFTH BATTALION, LINDSAY TEAM

Table listing scores for the Lindsay Team, including names like Pte. D. Sinclair and Stf.-Sgt. R. Sylvestre.

HALIFAX GARRISON ART'Y, FIRST TEAM.

Table listing scores for the Halifax Garrison Artillery, First Team, including names like Lieut. H. Flowers and Capt. E. D. Adams.

B BATTERY R.C.A.

Table listing scores for B Battery R.C.A., including names like Stf.-Sgt. J. Wood and Sgt. T. Pugh.

SIXTY-THIRD BATTALION.

Table listing scores for the Sixty-Third Battalion, including names like Lieut. R. Blackmore and Lieut. W. Taylor.

TWELFTH BATTALION.

Table listing scores for the Twelfth Battalion, including names like Stf.-Sgt. W. J. Graham and Lieut. A. Curran.

MONTREAL GARRISON ARTILLERY.

Table listing scores for the Montreal Garrison Artillery, including names like Gr. G. Cooke and Stf.-Sgt. W. E. Wilson.

QUEEN'S OWN RIFLES, SECOND TEAM.

Table listing scores for the Queen's Own Rifles, Second Team, including names like Corp. E. P. McNeill and Pte. E. Westman.

82ND BATTALION

Table listing scores for the 82nd Battalion, including names like Stf.-Sgt. R. V. Longworth and Gr. N. Campbell.

P. E. I. GARRISON ARTILLERY.

Table listing scores for the P.E.I. Garrison Artillery, including names like Stf.-Sgt. R. V. Longworth and Gr. N. Campbell.

GOV.-GEN.'S FOOT GUARDS, SECOND TEAM.

Table listing scores for the Gov.-Gen.'s Foot Guards, Second Team, including names like Pte. C. M. Wiggins and Pte. T. F. Elmitt.

TENTH ROYAL GRENADIERS, FIRST TEAM.

Table listing scores for the Tenth Royal Grenadiers, First Team, including names like Stf.-Sgt. Mitchell and Stf.-Sgt. Curzon.

SIXTH FUSILIERS, FIRST TEAM.

Table listing scores for the Sixth Fusiliers, First Team, including names like Col.-Sgt. E. Pratts and Sgt. J. Riddle.

F. DIVISION, N.-W. M. P.

Table listing scores for the F. Division, N.-W. M. P., including names like 49th Battalion and 40th Battalion.

49TH BATTALION

Table listing scores for the 49th Battalion, including names like 40th Battalion and 40th Battalion.

FORTY-THIRD BN., SECOND TEAM.

Table listing scores for the Forty-Third Battalion, Second Team, including names like Pte. S. Short and Pte. R. Moodie.

THIRTY-FIFTH BAT'N, ORILLIA TEAM.

Table listing scores for the Orillia Team, including names like Pte. Wm. Paine and Sgt.-Maj. Stewart.

EIGHTH ROYAL RIFLES.

Table listing scores for the Eighth Royal Rifles, including names like Stf.-Sgt. J. Perrett and Stf.-Sgt. J. Mountain.

NINETIETH BATTALION.

Table listing scores for the Ninetieth Battalion, including names like Sgt. Macklin and Pte. Inman.



FIFTH ROYAL SCOTS, FIRST TEAM.				
Pte. J. Kambery.....	28	26	24	78
Pte. D. Smith.....	30	30	18	78
Stf.-Sgt. J. R. Wynne..	28	29	20	77
Sgt. J. Currie.....	30	23	22	75
Maj. W. M. Blacklock..	25	27	19	71
Pipe-Sgt. J. Clark.....	27	26	14	67
Pte. Deuchars.....	27	27	13	67
Pte. D. Currie.....	26	24	14	64
Capt. E. B. Ibbotson..	27	22	13	62
Major J. Hood.....	29	18	9	56
Totals.....	277	252	166	695

FIFTY-SEVENTH BATTALION.				
Capt. R. M. Dennistoun	26	29	23	78
Pte. G. Fitzgerald.....	31	22	24	77
Pte. D. Cameron.....	24	25	26	75
Pte. W. A. Bell.....	28	25	22	75
Capt. W. H. Hill.....	27	23	20	70
Sgt. W. A. Mason.....	25	21	23	69
Pte. J. B. Pentland....	26	25	18	69
Pte. C. Curtis.....	26	15	20	61
Sgt. A. Blade.....	24	12	24	60
Pte. John Campbell....	26	15	19	60
Totals.....	263	212	219	694

SIXTY-SECOND FUSILIERS.				
Stf.-Sgt. W. Lordly....	30	27	22	79
Pte. J. A. Ewing.....	29	27	21	77
Major F. H. Hartt....	28	26	21	75
Col.-Sgt. E. B. Wetmore	31	21	20	72
Pte. C. T. Burns.....	29	21	21	71
Capt. G. F. Thompson..	23	27	19	69
Lieut. S. B. Lordly....	25	25	19	69
Corp. A. Lordly.....	29	28	7	64
Lieut. J. L. McAvity...	30	21	11	62
Major J. J. Tucker....	23	13	20	56
Totals.....	277	236	181	694

CHARLOTTETOWN ENGINEERS.				
Sgt. J. M. Davison....	29	31	24	84
Spr. H. Anderson.....	31	28	24	83
Capt. W. A. Weeks.....	33	25	23	81
Sgt.-Major S. Grey....	30	25	23	78
Lieut. G. M. Moore....	28	32	14	74
Corp. O. Baird.....	29	21	17	67
Sgt. J. Cameron.....	25	15	21	61
Spr. C. Saunders.....	26	10	20	56
Spr. Thos. Wakeling...	25	17	14	56
Spr. E. Earle.....	18	10	7	35
Totals.....	274	214	187	675

HALIFAX GARRISON ART'Y, SECOND TEAM.				
Bty. Sgt.-Maj. Melvin..	24	27	28	79
Gr. Watson.....	28	28	21	77
Stf.-Sgt. Murray.....	27	26	20	73
Sgt. Marshall.....	20	27	23	70
Gr. Morgan.....	30	20	20	70
Gr. Giles.....	24	20	23	67
Capt. Anderson.....	25	26	16	67
Stf.-Sgt. Bland.....	29	21	14	64
Corp. Spence.....	26	12	20	58
Corp. Byers.....	25	18	3	46
Totals.....	258	225	188	671

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THIRTY-EIGHTH BATTALION.				
Capt. C. M. Nelles....	26	25	24	75
Pte. D. S. Henderson..	30	26	19	75
Pte. F. Schmidlin.....	26	25	23	74
Pte. R. Donohue.....	25	25	21	71
Col.-Sgt. J. Wood.....	26	22	18	66
Stf.-Sgt. W. Fuller....	28	15	20	63
Corp. C. E. Strowger..	30	15	14	59
Asst. Surg. H. Minchin.	23	18	17	58
Pte. W. Strowger.....	21	14	17	52
Sgt. Drury.....	21	18	13	52
Totals.....	256	203	186	645

NINTH BATTALION.				
Pte. D. Lamontagne...	30	30	18	78
Pte. E. Taschereau....	27	25	23	75
Drmr. U. Devarenes...	31	24	14	69
Sgt. A. Catellier.....	26	22	19	67
Stf.-Sgt. A. Cote.....	29	23	14	66
Sgt. T. Trudel.....	32	24	8	64
Sgt.-Major E. Trudel..	27	17	19	63
Col.-Sgt. E. Gosselin..	23	19	18	60
Sgt. J. Germain.....	19	11	17	47
Sgt. C. Paquet.....	19	14	9	42
Totals.....	263	209	159	631

FIFTH ROYAL SCOTS, SECOND TEAM.				
Corp. Bethune.....	27	30	17	74
Pte. J. Younie.....	27	22	23	72
Sgt. D. O'Brien.....	25	21	21	67
Pte. T. Gardner.....	25	26	14	65
Sgt. M. O'Brien.....	23	21	18	62
Pte. Buckland.....	27	19	15	61
Pte. Jewell.....	23	17	20	60
Col.-Sgt. Lindsay....	17	17	20	54
Pte. Herron.....	21	16	13	50
Sgt. Hilliard.....	19	20	10	49
Totals.....	234	209	171	614

TENTH ROYAL GRENADIERS, SECOND TEAM.				
Col.-Sgt. T. Blake....	29	24	22	75
Sgt. Bewley.....	28	25	19	72
Corp. J. H. Walterhouse	24	27	16	67
Col.-Sgt. M. Cusack..	33	21	13	67
Corp. Macdonald.....	27	21	17	65
Pte. J. Maddox.....	24	21	16	61
Pte. H. Cochrane.....	30	15	16	61
Corp. M. Doole.....	17	24	14	55
Pte. Stemmin.....	18	10	17	45
Pte. Doherty.....	18	11	14	43
Totals.....	248	199	164	611

SIXTH FUSILIERS, SECOND TEAM.				
Stf.-Sgt. J. Anthony....	29	25	21	75
Corp. J. Armstrong....	26	19	26	71
Pte. J. Brighton.....	25	22	22	69
Pte. F. Green.....	26	25	16	67
Pte. E. Graham.....	24	22	19	65
Pte. J. Wilson.....	29	22	11	62
Pte. J. Scott.....	26	15	17	58
Pte. L. Jehu.....	26	14	11	51
Sgt. W. Irving.....	8	23	11	42
Sgt. W. White.....	25	5	11	41
Totals.....	244	192	165	601

A BATTERY, R. C. A.				
Major Drury.....	28	30	25	83
Br. Ross.....	28	27	19	74
Sgt. Harris.....	28	30	16	74
Lieut. Gaudet.....	20	31	19	70
Stf.-Sgt. Bridgeford...	26	21	21	68
Gr. Roothame.....	30	21	10	61
Corp. Bramah.....	13	20	20	53
Gr. Rousseau.....	19	19	14	52
Br. Watson.....	21	6	5	32
Br. Kelly.....	14	12	2	28
Totals.....	227	217	151	595

PRINCE OF WALES REGIMENT, FIRST TEAM.				
Stf.-Sgt. A. Ross.....	29	26	21	76
Sgt.-Maj. A. Ferguson..	28	20	22	70
Capt. G. Lefebvre....	27	16	18	61
Sgt. Bangs.....	26	15	19	60
Sgt. Dunce.....	23	25	11	59
Pte. Madden.....	22	20	15	57
Pte. Morrison.....	26	10	17	53
Sgt. Cunningham.....	22	17	10	49
Pte. Reid.....	14	14	15	43
Corp. Primeau.....	20	19	4	43
Totals.....	237	182	152	571

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R. Sweet.....	28	21	26	75
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Major D. Mowat.....	27	30	2	59
S. Varder.....	26	19	12	57
Wm. Williamson.....	29	19	8	56
W. Laurie.....	24	12	19	55
R. J. Steel.....	24	20	11	55
Supt. S. Gagnon.....	20	6	11	37
W. J. Chisholm.....	14	17	6	37
Totals.....	242	186	136	564

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Pte. Powers.....	31	22	15	68
Sgt.-Inst. Roberts....	23	26	17	66
Pte. Sharman.....	25	22	16	63
Lc.-Corp. Ryan.....	18	21	23	62
Pte. Hanson.....	21	17	16	54
Pte. Ryan.....	13	18	14	45
Sgt.-Major Phillips...	20	8	6	34
Lc.-Corp. Bouvin.....	21	6	6	33
Totals.....	217	189	156	562

FORTY-FOURTH BATTALION.				
Pte. Chas. Bowen.....	27	21	24	72
Capt. G. A. McMicking	29	20	14	63
Lieut. J. J. Bampfield..	25	18	19	62
Pte. J. J. Flynn.....	29	20	13	62
Lieut. G. E. Buckley...	28	18	15	61
Sgt. S. Bradley.....	24	24	11	59
Capt. J. A. Greenwood.	31	19	8	58
Lieut. F. W. Hill.....	24	12	20	56
Pte. W. M. Parker....	19	13	6	38
Sgt. J. K. Henderson..	14	10	6	30
Totals.....	250	175	136	561

VICTORIA RIFLES, SECOND TEAM.				
Sgt. E. H. Brown.....	24	19	24	67
Lieut. H. Badgley....	23	13	26	62
Pte. Campbell.....	25	19	16	60
Lieut. Rodden.....	17	20	20	57
Lieut. G. W. F. Carter.	25	20	10	55
Sgt. Withycombe.....	25	13	15	53
Sgt. R. Locke.....	17	21	11	49
Col.-Sgt. P. Gorman...	27	14	6	47
Pte. A. Tabb.....	27	12	5	44
Pte. Mills.....	25	9	4	38
Totals.....	235	160	137	532

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Pte. J. Tingman.....	30	31	28	89
Pte. J. Reid.....	28	25	20	73
Pte. W. Murphy.....	24	18	18	60
Col.-Sgt. G. W. Galloway	28	15	16	59
Lieut. Laurie.....	26	18	10	54
Corp. F. Tucker.....	24	18	9	51
Sgt.-Inst. C. Belau....	26	24	0	50
Stf.-Sgt. D. Borland...	24	0	14	38
Bugler W. Taylor.....	17	6	6	29
Pte. J. Moore.....	19	3	4	26
Totals.....	246	158	125	529

A LONG LOST SCORE.

The score sheets having been mislaid, and the officer in charge being away from home, the Secretary of the League has only this week obtained the details of the scoring of the 96th Battalion team, Port Arthur, made in the third League match, fired on the 14th June. We give the individual totals here, in order to complete our record. Capt. Garland 83, Pte. Cameron 79, Lieut. Woodside 77, Pte. Emerson 72, Pte. Meek 71, Pte. Andrews 67, Pte. McDougall 66, Sergt. Hodder 64, Capt. Russell 62, Pte. Montgomery 60. Totals, 289, 250, 162—701.

THE LEAGUE CHAMPIONS.

A "League Championship" badge is offered to the highest individual aggregate scorer in the seven matches. To date, after four matches, this is how the leaders stand:—

Lieut. M. H. Healy, 54th Bn.....	347	Gr. T. Pugh, B Battery.....	332
Stf.-Sgt. T. Mitchell, 10th Bn.....	346	Pte. A. J. Green, 21st Bn.....	331
Pte. S. B. Green, 21st Bn.....	343	Pte. G. H. Morkill, 53rd Bn.....	329
Stf.-Sgt. E. A. Cleveland, 54th Bn	343	Sgt.-Maj. Case, H.G.A.....	329
Lieut. R. J. Spearing, 53rd Bn.....	340	Capt. E. D. Adams, H.G.A.....	329
Capt. W. S. Russell, 45th Bn.....	336	Lieut. J. A. Williamson, 45th Bn...	327
Major L. Thomas, 54th Bn.....	335	Sgt. J. C. Dixon, 21st Bn.....	326
Stf.-Sgt. Clark, 53rd Bn.....	333	Pte. G. McKenzie, 21st Bn.....	322

THE MILITIA GAZETTE PRIZE.

At the outset of the League competitions the MILITIA GAZETTE offered a Snider rifle for the aggregate of the three best scores made by a paid-up subscriber in the League competitions. Only three scores were called for in order that competitors compelled to be absent from some of the matches should not be shut out, and also to give the good men held in reserve for each team a chance to compete. Whatever interest attaches to the contest for this prize will be maintained until the end, because an unusually high score in the very last match may bring to the front some competitor well in the rear before. To show how it stands now we give the following, being the scores made in the four matches by those whose chances now seem the brightest. A few riflemen who stood well up in the scoring have not been included, as their names are not on our subscription list; and the hard-worked individual who tries to collect the subscription accounts intimates that some of those whose names are given below will be found to be ineligible for the prize because of having neglected to pay up their accounts. This phase of the question will be duly investigated, and if from this or any other cause the top scorer amongst the subscribers is found to be ineligible, of course the rifle will go to the next in order who is found to have complied with the conditions. In the table given below, in which all the scores of each competition mentioned are given, the three best are made more

prominent by being printed in bolder type, and the aggregate given is that of such three :—

	May	May	June	July	Aggr. Best Three.
Pte. S. B. Green, 21st	17	31	14	12	265
Stf.-Sgt. T. Mitchell, 10th	78	88	85	92	265
Lieut. M. H. Healy, 54th	81	88	86	91	265
Pte. G. H. Morkill, 53rd	87	83	94	83	264
Lieut. R. J. Spearing, 53rd	66	90	75	98	263
Capt. W. S. Russell, 45th	80	77	89	94	263
Stf.-Sgt. E. A. Cleveland, 54th	74	82	94	86	262
Stf.-Sgt. C. H. Clark, 53rd	86	90	86	81	262
Major L. Thomas, 54th	73	81	87	92	260
Stf.-Sgt. J. B. Mitchell, 45th	80	90	89	76	259
Pte. A. J. Green, 21st	65	83	93	80	256
Stf.-Sgt. A. Pink, 43rd	76	86	76	93	255
Pte. C. S. Scott, 43rd	35	92	79	83	254
Lieut. J. A. Williamson, 45th	54	76	85	90	251
Pte. W. R. Elliott, 21st	76	91	83	77	251
Capt. E. D. Adams, H.G.A.	60	79	82	90	251
	89	80	78	82	251

From the above it will be seen that it will take 265 points or over to win, and as there are three more matches to be fired there is scarce a man on this list whose chance is not as good as the present leaders, whilst some not now mentioned may distance them all. Morkill wants but 78 in any one competition to be at the head of the list, with 266 points; Healy would require 85 to be as high, Russell 86, S. B. Green 86, T. Mitchell 87, Clark 87, A. J. Green 87, and so on, several having two scores easy to improve on. May the best man win!

The remaining matches will be fired on the 26th July, 2nd and 9th August.

SUGGESTED PROGRAMME FOR NEXT YEAR.

Profiting by the experience of this year the executive of the League have it in contemplation to propose a number of changes in the programme for next season. It has been found, for instance, inconvenient to fire so many as seven matches, and it is proposed therefore to reduce the number to five, two of these to be fired in in May, one in June (before the district camps) and two in July. Then, to put the newer shots (of whom there will be a great many should the strength of the teams be increased) on more of an equality with the rest, it is proposed to introduce some firing at 400 yards in place of 600, and firing from the standing position at 200. The programme would then be something like this:

- 1st match, in May—Starting at 200 yards kneeling, 400 yards prone, 500 yards prone, 7 shots at each.
- 2nd match, in May—Starting at 200 yards kneeling, 500 yards prone, 600 yards any position, 7 shots at each.
- 3rd match, in June—Starting at 500 yards prone, 400 yards prone, 200 yards standing, 7 shots at each.
- 4th Match, in July—Starting at 600 yards any position, 500 yards prone, 200 yards kneeling.
- 5th Match, in July—Starting at 200 yards kneeling, 400 yards prone, 500 yards prone, 600 yards any position, 5 shots at each. This last match to be fired in uniform, to accustom the competitors to the requirements of the Provincial and Dominion meetings.

We have been requested to publish the above suggested programme, and to invite consideration of it between now and the September meeting.

THE STRENGTH OF THE LEAGUE TEAMS.

EDITOR MILITIA GAZETTE,—The proposition to increase the teams in the League from ten to fifteen or twenty men referred to in your last issue would, I think, have the effect of decreasing rather than increasing the number of competitors. It might perhaps be effective in the cities where entire battalions are located, but would most effectually wipe out the rural teams where there is only one company to draw from as is the case with most of them.

Where there is a superabundance of shooting material an inducement is held out in the shape of reduced entrance fees where two teams are entered and this should be sufficient. The city teams have received considerable consideration in the fixture of the time for shooting, viz., Saturday afternoon, and it is now so difficult for members of rural teams of ten to get to the butts at that time that an increase in number would make it prohibitory.

The Military League, as at present constituted, is doing grand work and any one studying the composition of the teams should find sufficient new men to satisfy the promoters of the League in its first year. The object should be to extend it to every town or village where a company or range is to be found. A team of ten men in each different town or village will do more to develop military shooting than teams of twenty in the larger town and cities as the inducement of qualifying to fill a place on the team is of itself more than sufficient to develop any fresh material that may be coming to the surface.

W. K. G.

19th July, 1890.

THE LEAGUE LETTERS.

EDITOR MILITIA GAZETTE,—The criticisms of my letter dated the 2nd June remind me strongly of the old plan of abusing the plaintiff when you have no defence. If my critics will kindly reread my letter I think that they will admit that there were two objects in view. The first, to point out the apparent necessity for some check on the marking; and secondly, the desirability of adhering as closely as possible to the established rules under which these competitions were to take place. I

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Entries for the matches included in the Grand Aggregate close on Wednesday, 27th August. The attention of intending competitors is particularly directed to the efficiency qualification required for participation in matches restricted to the Active Militia. Also to changes in the firing regulations, whereby the competitors will be squadded in threes instead of in pairs; and "any position" will be allowed at 600 yards and upwards.

Reduced Rates will, as usual, be granted by the railway companies. Tents and Blankets for those desiring to sleep upon the Range will be supplied as usual.

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had no quarrel with the Essex Centre team, but as they headed the list and were unknown as a shooting battalion, their case afforded a good illustration of the doubts that would naturally arise if the marking was not checked, as well as the scoring. My letter was unfortunately too long to be published in full, but you will I am sure, Mr. Editor, do me the justice to say that in the unpublished portion I expressly stated that I did not credit the members of that team with any dishonest intention. Having made this explanation, allow me to say that I still have grave doubts of the score as published. I don't believe they will ever again make 313 points at 200 yards kneeling, on a correct sized target, and with correct marking, on any rifle range where the marking as well as the scoring is properly checked. I regret that Capt. Jones should attribute vindictiveness or jealousy. Does he see anything in my letter in the nature of a claim that the 13th Battalion ought to be ahead? Did I not mention on equal terms ten battalions who have a reputation as first-class marksmen? The list might have been much longer but for want of space. I am proud to say that the 13th Battalion has such a reputation, justly earned, and that it is not necessary to go to Essex Centre to prove it. If our friends of the 21st Battalion really desire to test their strength against ours, on equal terms, what better chance can they ask than to meet us on the Garrison Common, Toronto, the last week in August. We are always represented there and of course have, and expect to have, our ups and downs like the rest.

Would our success or defeat prove or disprove the desirability of providing some check on the marking in these League team matches?

I am sure that these matches will do, and are doing, a very great deal to increase the efficiency of the volunteers in the use of the rifle, but are not those who are willing to incur a good deal of unfriendly criticism, in order to point out weak spots, which if not remedied may prove seriously injurious, after all really the best friends of the League?

Hamilton, 14th July, '90.

G.

#### NOTES.

The Secretary of the Regina Association reports: "The League is doing a great amount of good. I think there will be more North-West associations in next year."

B Company, Infantry School Corps, St. John's, Q., still adheres to the excellent plan of having a non-commissioned officer in the butts to check the markers.

A rain squall struck the team of the 62nd Fusiliers, and wrecked the scores of two of the members.

Pte. C. T. Burns, Governor-General's prizeman of last year, has removed from Montreal to St. John, N.B., whence he came. The Vic's have lost and the 62nd Fusiliers gained a brilliant shot.

Pte. McMartin, the 5th Royal Scots' star shot of last season, has transferred his allegiance to the Vics.

A Winnipeg correspondent says some of the 90th team are short-sighted. Two of them made only 11 points between them at 600 yds.

The G. G. F. G. colts are showing well to the front. Pte. C. M. Wiggins, who this year for the first time took up shooting as a pastime, astonished himself and his team with a 90.

The 13th Battalion have a strong reserve, their scores increasing despite the absence of three marksmen with the Bisley team.

Pte. Simpson, last year of the Grenadiers, is now a Staff Sergeant of the Twelfth.

Pte. Morkill of the 53rd has a heavy mortgage on the field glass offered as a special prize for the best single match score of the season. His 98 should be safe. As he is a "Nursery" shot it will give him also the pair of League shooting boots to go for the best score by a Nursery man.

The Montreal teams who fired the cancelled match on the 28th June, have been notified that their scores will not be allowed. They will have to fire with the rest on the 2nd August.

The 54th made the exceptionally low score of 252 at 200 yards. They report that "there was such a mirage at 200 yards that it was impossible to put on a score."

Of the ten members on the Montreal Garrison Artillery team last match, nine were "Nursery" men. Their total is very good under the circumstances.

Pte. Montgomery, of the 96th Battalion, Port Arthur, in the last match accomplished the very unusual feat of making the "possible" at 200 yards (firing kneeling, with the Snider). Who else in Canada has such a performance to his credit? At 500 yards Pte. Montgomery led off with four bulls, thus making eleven in succession.

Capt. Geo. A. McMicking, of the 44th team, reports: "Impossible to make a good score. A fish tail wind, with very decided changes from right to left, and *vice versa*."

The noteworthy achievement of the 96th team, in scoring 829 points out of the 1,050 possible, was to their great satisfaction witnessed by a couple of visitors. One of these, Mr. Thos. Black, of Winnipeg, formerly an officer of the Victoria Rifles, Montreal, kindly kept the register;

and the other, Mr. E. Hector Clemens, of the Queen's Own Rifles, Toronto, was also present during the entire match. There were two markers in the butts.

C Company, Infantry School Corps, has developed a sharpshooter—witness Pte. Tingman's 89. When Capt. Evans gets back from Hythe the whole company will no doubt be trained up to that pitch of perfection.

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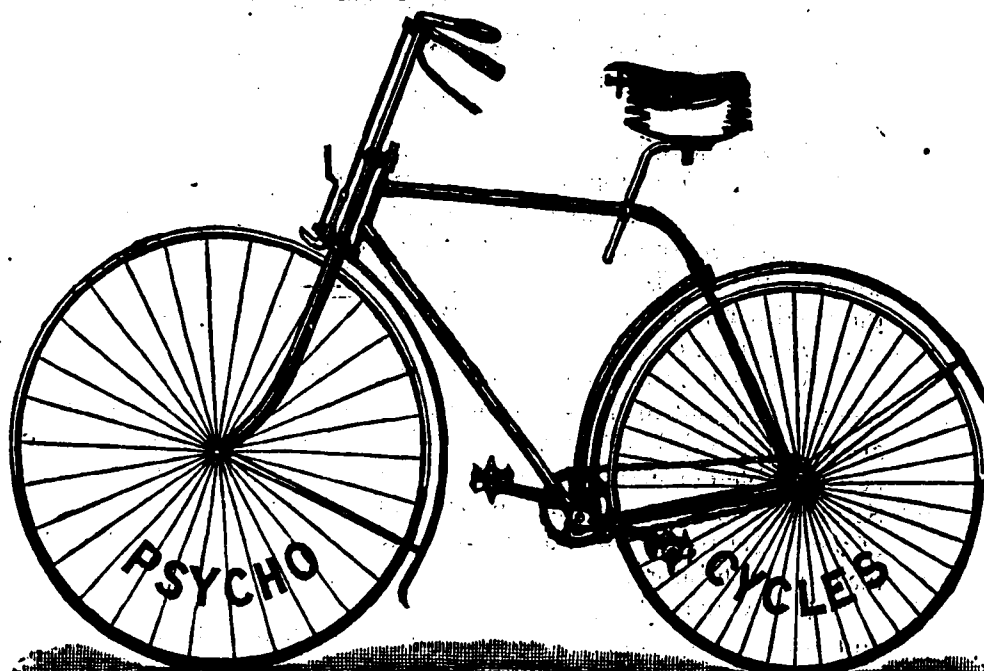
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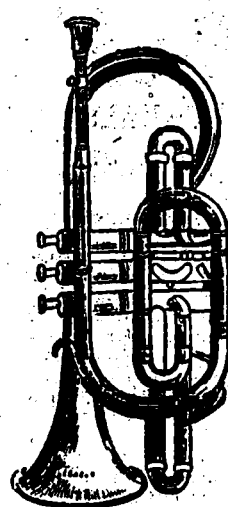
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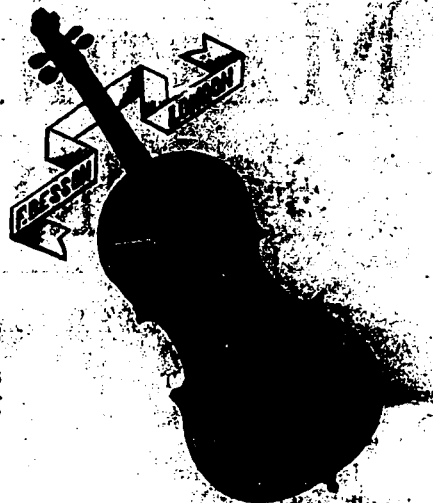
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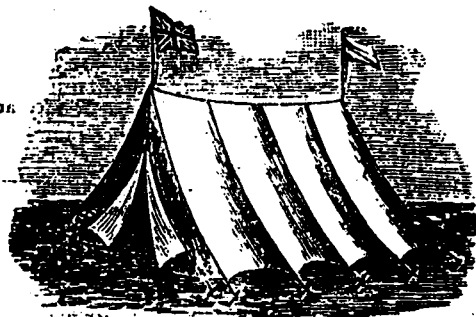
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